

JUDICIAL PROFILE

Ron Reinstein is currently assigned to the Special Assignment Department. He previously served in the Family Court Department. From 1998 to 2000 he served as the Associate Presiding Judge and Criminal Presiding Judge from 1990 to 1998. Prior to that he was a criminal trial judge for four years. He also served in the civil department early in his judicial career. He currently serves as Chairman of the Supreme Court Post-Conviction Relief Revision Committee. He is on the Advisory Board of the American Bar Association's Child Abuse/Judicial Education Project, the Governor's Children's Justice Task Force, the Advisory Committee of the Human Genome Project on Genetics Related Judicial Education. Since 1998 he has served on the National Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence and is chairman of the Commission's Post Conviction Issues committee. He also is on the National Advisory Board of the U.S. Department of Justice Center for Sex Offender Management. Judge Reinstein received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and his law degree from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Prior to his appointment to the Bench in December 1985, he was head of the Sex Crimes Unit and Supervisor of the Criminal Trial Unit in the Maricopa County Attorney's Office where he worked for 11 years.



Judge Ron Reinstein is considered a national expert on criminal law and sentencing, criminal case management and DNA evidence. He has received numerous awards while on the Bench, including the 1999 Judicial Award of Excellence from the Arizona State Bar's Public Lawyer's Section. He also received the 1998 James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award from the State Bar. Additional awards include the Maricopa County Bar Association's Henry S. Stevens Award for Outstanding Judge in 1994, the Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award in 1991 for his work on behalf of crime victims, the Society of Professional Journalists' Sunshine Award in 1993, and the Lecturer of Merit Award from the National College of District Attorneys. He has also received Awards of Excellence and Achievement from the Governor's Children's Justice Task Force, Parents of Murdered Children, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, and the County Attorney and the Attorney General's Victim Witness Programs.

Judge Reinstein attends numerous national and state judicial and bar conferences to share his expertise in criminal justice, trial practice and child victims in the courtroom. He serves as a faculty member and lecturer for the American Bar Association's National Sentencing Symposium; the National Conference on Science and the Law; the National College of District Attorneys; the National Center for the Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse; the National Institute for Trial Advocacy; the National Juvenile and Family Court Judges College; the National Center for Effective Public Policy; the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys Advisory Council; the American Probation and Parole Association; the Einstein Institute for Science, Health, and the Courts; the National Institute for Justice; the American Bar Association's Child Abuse Education Project; and the National Conference on the Use of DNA in Criminal Cases. He also has coached youth basketball, soccer, and softball for many years.